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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:  
ITOH ET AL.

Confirmation Number: 1603

Application No.: 10/779,768

Group Art Unit: 3653

Filed: February 18, 2004

Examiner: JOERGER, Kaitlin S.

For: PAPER-LIKE MATERIAL CONVEYING APPARATUS, PAPER-LIKE MATERIAL CONVEYING DIRECTION SWITCHING APPARATUS AND PAPER-LIKE MATERIAL STAMPING APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment for this application.

**FEES**

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	22	-	23 = 0	x \$ = \$
INDEP.	5	-	5 = 0	x \$ = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			+ \$	= \$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE			\$	
GRAND TOTAL			\$	0.00

**FEE PAYMENT**

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

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**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 3, 2006, prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: